



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application,of : **Confirmation No. 9880**  
Noriaki TAKAICHI : Docket No. 2001\_1772A  
Serial No. 09/980,311 : Group Art Unit 2187  
Filed February 7, 2002 : Examiner Kimberly McLean-Mayo

DISK MEMORY DEVICE, DATA PREREADING  
METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIA

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents  
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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a one month extension of time to respond to the communication of  
April 15, 2004.

The fee of \$110.00 is

- ☒ submitted herewith.  
☐ to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is  
enclosed.  
☐ Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion  
which  
☐ is enclosed.  
☐ has been previously submitted.

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